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## MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Meeting Held in the Office of the Director, Mineral Resource Evaluation, Bureau of Mines, on 27 August 1968, on NIS Production

## 1. Attendees:

W. A. Vogely, Bureau of Mines  
F. D. Lamb, Bureau of Mines  
V. L. Barr, Bureau of Mines  
E. J. Gealy, Bureau of Mines  
J. A. Brammell, OBG

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2. Referring to his memo of 10 July 1968 concerning the Bureau of Mines' lagging NIS production, Mr. Brammell opened the discussion by reiterating that before a budgetary agreement for FY 1969 could be completed he would need firm assurance that the Bureau's NIS scheduled commitments for the year would be met.

3. Mr. Barr stated that he was confident that the 15 sections still owed from previous years would be delivered by December 1968, and that the work on these would not interfere with the FY 1969 scheduled production. He said that he had been overly optimistic about the Bureau's ability to eliminate the backlog during FY 1968, but described the causes for failure as essentially "mechanical" and noted that some delay resulted from a misunderstanding about the use of the tape-producing typewriter.

4. After Mr. Vogely indicated that he would give assurance -- based on Mr. Barr's stated judgment -- that the Bureau would meet its NIS scheduled commitment for FY 1969, Mr. Brammell said he would proceed with the agreement.

5. In reviewing the conditions of the agreement for FY 1969, Mr. Vogely noted that, unlike the budgetary arrangements on other projects, the NIS contract did not include provision for overhead charges. He implied that this aspect of the NIS budget might require reevaluation in future agreements. Mr. Brammell agreed that all reasonable costs directly or indirectly incurred in the production of NIS should be borne by the Program and noted that overhead costs had been included in some NIS contracts.

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6. In the course of a discussion of possible alternatives to the current format and production arrangement for Sections 62F and 63 that might provide more efficient use of resources, it was agreed that a joint Interior-CIA study should be conducted over the next few months to determine: (a) the extent to which the Minerals Yearbook can satisfy the basic intelligence requirements for which Sections 62F and 63 are designed; (b) the validity of the current Sections 62F and 63 outline requirements in terms of up-to-date user needs with a view to eliminating extraneous coverage and unnecessary detail; and (c) the specific amount of production effort required to meet the NIS scheduled commitment over the next 3-year period in order to assess the adequacy of planned fund allocations and personnel required for the program. Mr. Brammell said that his office would initiate the action in this matter.

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Interior Production

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FY 65		FY 66		FY 67		FY 68		FY 69	
Commitment	Delivered	Commitment	Delivered	Commitment	Delivered	Commitment	Delivered	Commitment	Delivered
Sched/owed	Sched/owed	Sched/owed	Sched/owed	Sched/owed	Sched/owed	Sched/owed	Sched/owed	Sched/owed	Sched/owed
16/ 1	8/ 1	15/ 8	5/ 7	15/11	6/ 8	14/12	4/ 6	11/16	0/ 1
(17)	(9)	(23)	(12)	(26)	(14)	(26)	(10)	(27)	(1)

## Interior self-imposed schedule of delivery for carryovers owed at end of FY 68

25X6A	██████████ (62)	12 Jul	received 17 Jul
	Chile (63)	26 Jul	not in
	Norway (63)	2 Aug	not in
25X6A	██████████ (63)	9 Aug	not in
	Pakistan (62)	16 Aug	not in
	India (63)	23 Aug	not in
	Syria (62)	30 Aug	
	Brazil (63)	6 Sep	
	Sweden (63)	13 Sep	
	Turkey (63)	20 Sep	
	Argentina (63)	27 Sep	
	Bolivia (63)	4 Oct	
25X6A	Indonesia (63)	11 Oct	
	██████████ (63)	18 Oct	
	Spain (63)	25 Oct	
	So. Africa (62)	1 Nov	